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1. DCM DISCUSSED SUBJECT MEETING ON JANUARY 31 WITH STANISLAW PAWLAK, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. SINCE WARSAW WAS NOT AN ACTION ADDRESSEE ON REF (B), WE DID NOT GO INTO DETAIL CONCERNING US POSITIONS ON VARIOUS AGENDA ITEMS. WE DID STRESS IMPORTANCE USG ATTACHES TO FEBRUARY MEETING, HOWEVER, AND WE PASSED ON INFORMATION FROM REF (A) THAT FORMER CONGRESSMAN MEZWINSKY WILL HEAD THE US DELEGATION. WE ALSO MADE THE PITCH CALLED FOR IN REF (B) FOR AMBASSADOR'S CARTER'S ELECTION TO THE HRC SUB-COMMISSION ON THE PROTECTION OF MINORITIES.

2. PAWLAK RESPONDED THAT GOP ALSO BELIEVES UPCOMING MEETING IS IMPORTANT AND POLISH DELEGATION INTENDS
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TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY. DELEGATION FROM WARSAW WILL BE HEADED BY PROFESSOR ADAM LOPATKA OF POZNAN UNIVERSITY, AND EXPORT ON MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY. POLES WILL PROPOSE UNDER AGENDA TIEM 2 (ADOPTION OF AGENDA) AN INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON RIGHTS OF CHILDREN. PAWLAK REFERRED TO A POLISH-SPONSORED 1959 UN DECLARATION IN THIS SUBJECT,

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WHICH THE GOP NOW BELEIVES WARRANTS A MORE BINDING CHARACTER. PAWLAK SAID THE POLES HOPE TO HAVE THIS TREATY APPROVED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1959 DECLARATION. PAWLAK SAID POLISH POSITIONS ON OTHER AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE DETERMINED IN MEETINGS OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS. AS FOR AMBASSADOR CARTER'S ELECTION TO THE SUB-COMMISSION ON THE PROTECTION OF MINORITIES, PAWLAK WAS NOT SURE WHAT WAS INVOLVED, BUT HE DOUBTED THAT THE GOP WOULD HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WITH CHOICE OF CARTER.
DAVIES

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